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Bill Number	Digest	Author/ Sponsor	Latest Status
SJR 0001	Circuit breakers and other property tax matters. For property taxes first due and payable in 2012 and thereafter, requires the general assembly to limit a taxpayer's property tax liability as follows: (1) A taxpayer's property tax liability on homestead property may not exceed 1% of the gross assessed value of the homestead property. (2) A taxpayer's property tax liability on other residential property may not exceed 2% of the gross assessed value of the other residential property. (3) A taxpayer's property tax liability on agricultural land may not exceed 2% of the gross assessed value of the property that is the basis for the determination of the agricultural land. (4) A taxpayer's property tax liability on other real property may not exceed 3% of the gross assessed value of the other real property may not exceed 3% of the gross assessed value of the other real property may not exceed 3% of the gross assessed value of the taxpayer's personal property that is the basis for the determination of property taxes within a particular taxing district. Specifies that property taxes imposed after being approved by the voters in a referendum shall not be considered for purposes of calculating the limits to property tax liability under these provisions.	Kenley	Nov 20, 2007- First reading: referred to Committee on Tax and Fiscal Policy Nov 20, 2007- Senator Miller added as second author Nov 20, 2007- Senator Rogers added as third author Jan 22, 2008- Committee report: amend do pass, adopted Jan 28, 2008- Second reading: ordered engrossed Jan 28, 2008- Senator Zakas added as coauthor Jan 29, 2008- Third reading: passed; Roll Call 88: Yeas 41 and Nays 7 Jan 29, 2008- Referred to the House Jan 29, 2008- House sponsor: Rep. Crawford Jan 29, 2008- Cosponsors: Reps. Espich, Welch and Turner Feb 5, 2008- First reading: referred to Committee on Ways and Means

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Provides that in the case of a county for which the general assembly determines in 2008 that limits to property tax liability are expected to reduce in 2010 the aggregate property tax revenue that would otherwise be collected by all units and school corporations in the county by at least 20%, the general assembly may provide that property taxes imposed in the county to pay debt service or make lease payments for bonds or leases issued or entered into before July 1, 2008, shall not be considered for purposes of calculating the limits to property tax liability. Specifies that such a law may not apply after December 31, 2019. Permits the general assembly to exempt a mobile home used as a homestead to the same extent as real property. Specifies that an exemption may be granted in the form of a deduction or credit. Specifies that the general assembly may impose reasonable filing requirements to obtain an exemption, deduction, or credit. This proposed amendment has not been previously agreed to by a general assembly.

Feb 21, 2008-Committee report: amend do pass, adopted

Feb 26, 2008- Second reading: ordered engrossed

Feb 26, 2008- Amendment 1 (Borror), failed; Roll Call 227: Yeas 49, Nays 50

Feb 28, 2008- Third reading: passed; Roll Call 272: Yeas 64, Nays 35

Feb 28, 2008- Returned to the Senate with amendments

March 3, 2008-Senate dissented from House amendments

March 4, 2008-Senate conferees appointed: Kenley and Mrvan

March 4, 2008-Senate advisors appointed: R. Meeks, Hershman, Broden and Simpson

March 4, 2008-House conferees appointed: Crawford and Espich

March 4, 2008-House advisors appointed: Goodin, Welch, Cochran, Klinker, Borror and Turner

March 13, 2008-Conference committee report 1: filed in the House

March 14, 2008-Conference committee report 1 : adopted by the Senate Roll Call 354: Yeas 40, Nays 7

March 14, 2008-Rules suspended

March 14, 2008-Conference committee report 1: adopted by the House; Roll Call 332: Yeas 79, Nays 20

March 19, 2008-Signed by the President Pro Tempore

March 19, 2008-Signed by the Governor

SB 0022	Teacher licensing. Specifies that an applicant for a substitute teacher's license is not required to receive CPR and Heimlich maneuver training. Requires the department of education to grant an initial practitioner's license for a specific subject area in middle school or high school to an applicant who has earned a postgraduate degree from a regionally accredited postsecondary educational institution in the subject area, has experience teaching students in a middle school, high school, or college setting, and complies with certain requirements for licensure. Allows an individual licensed through the process to be hired to teach in high school, or in middle school in a shortage area designated by the state board of education. Requires the individual to comply with certain requirements to renew a license or to obtain a proficient practitioner's license.	Lubbers	Jan 8, 2008-First reading: referred to Committee on Education and Career Development Jan 10, 2008-Committee report: amend do pass, adopted Jan 17, 2008-Second reading: ordered engrossed Jan 22, 2008-Third reading: passed; Roll Call 29: Yeas 43, Nays 4 Jan 22, 2008-Referred to the House Jan 22, 2008-House sponsor: Rep. Porter Jan 22, 2008-Cosponsor: Rep. Behning Jan 30, 2008-First reading: referred to Committee on Education Feb 12, 2008-Representatives T. Harris and VanDenburgh added as cosponsors Feb 21, 2008-Committee report: amend do pass, adopted Feb 26, 2008-Second reading: amended, ordered engrossed Feb 26, 2008- Amendment 1 (Thompson), prevailed; Voice Vote Feb 28, 2008- Third reading: passed; Roll Call 237: Yeas 94, Nays 2 Feb 28, 2008- Returned to the Senate with amendments March 6, 2008-Senate concurred in House amendments; Roll Call 312: Yeas 38, Nays 8 March 6, 2008-Signed by the President Pro Tempore March 11, 2008-Signed by the Speaker March 14, 2008-Signed by the President of the Senate

SB 0051	Reemployment of retired public employees. Reduces from 90 days to 30 days the waiting period after which a retired member of the: (1) state teachers' retirement fund (TRF); or (2) public employees retirement fund (PERF); may be reemployed in a covered position and continue to receive a retirement benefit.	Weatherwax Landske	Jan 8, 2008-First reading: referred to Committee on Pensions and Labor Jan 8, 2008- Senator Deig added as coauthor Jan 14, 2008- Senator Tallian added as coauthor Jan 17, 2008- Committee report: amend do pass, adopted Jan 22, 2008- Second reading: ordered engrossed Jan 24, 2008-Third reading: passed; Roll Call 43: Yeas 48 and Nays 0 Jan 24, 2008-Referred to the House Jan 24, 2008-House sponsor: Rep. Niezgodski Jan 24, 2008-Cosponsor: Rep. Buell Jan 24, 2008-Senator Sipes added as coauthor Feb 05, 2008-Representatives Stilwell and Burton added as cosponsors Feb 07, 2008-Committee report: amend do pass, adopted Feb 11, 2008-Second reading: ordered engrossed Feb 14, 2008-Third reading: passed; Roll Call 179: Yeas 80, Nays 1 Feb 14, 2008-Returned to the Senate with amendments March 6, 2008-Senate concurred in House amendments; Roll Call 313: Yeas 46, Nays 0 March 6, 2008-Signed by the President Pro Tempore March 11, 2008- Signed by the Speaker March 11, 2008- Signed by the President of the

SB 0111	Graduation rate formula. Specifies that students graduating as members of a cohort include students from the cohort who graduate during the expected graduation year or during a previous reporting year. Provides that students may count as graduating members of only one cohort. Corrects an incorrect cross-reference.	Lubbers	Jan 8, 2008- First reading: referred to Committee on Rules and Legislative Procedure Jan 14, 2008- Committee report: amended, reassigned to Education and Career Development Jan 14, 2008- Senator Long removed as first author Jan 14, 2008- Senator Lubbers added as first author Jan 23, 2008-Passed 7-0 Jan 24, 2008- Committee report: do pass, adopted Jan 28, 2008-Second reading: amended, ordered engrossed Jan 28, 2008-Amendment 2 (Sipes), failed; Roll Call 49: Yeas 19, Nays 28 Jan 28, 2008- Amendment 1 (Sipes), failed; Voice Vote Jan 28, 2008- Amendment 3 (Sipes), failed; Division of the Senate: Yeas 13, Nays 30 Jan 28, 2008- Amendment 4 (Long), prevailed; Voice Vote Jan 28, 2008- Senator Charbonneau added as coauthor Jan 29, 2008- Third reading: passed; Roll Call 113: Yeas 43 and Nays 5 Jan 29, 2008- House sponsor: Rep. Porter Jan 29, 2008- Cosponsor: Rep. Behning Jan 30, 2008- First reading: referred to Committee on Rules and Legislative Procedures Feb 18, 2008-Reassigned to the Committee on Education Feb 21, 2008-Committee report: amend do pass, adopted
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SB 111 CONT.		Feb 26, 2008-Second reading: ordered engrossed
		Feb 28, 2008- Third reading: passed; Roll Call 242: Yeas 99, Nays 0
		Feb 28, 2008- Returned to the Senate with amendments
		March 3, 2008- Motion to concur in House amendments filed
		March 4, 2008-Senate concurred in House amendments; Roll Call 292: Yeas 38, Nays 3
		March 5, 2008-Signed by the President Pro Tempore
		March 6, 2008-Signed by the Speaker
		March 6, 2008- Signed by the President of the Senate
		March 12, 2008-Signed by the Governor

SB 0258

Bill is largely devoted to the discharge of long-term inmates from prison and limiting inmate access to the internet. Requires a school corporation to include a mandatory instructional unit on safely using the Internet for grades 3 and above.

Discharge of long term inmates, electronic copies of sentencing information, and Internet access for inmate employment searches. Requires the parole board to review the sentence of a long term inmate who has not been convicted of a violent offense to determine whether the inmate has been rehabilitated and has suitable plans that would warrant discharge from custody, and requires the department of correction to assist the parole board by identifying certain long term inmates to the parole board and providing certain other information. Specifies that an inmate whose review is denied by the parole board may seek a later review. Requires such an inmate released by the parole board to be placed on parole. Allows a court to: (1) send copies of certain reports relating to the conviction of an individual to the department; and (2) certify copies of judgments of conviction and sentences to receiving authorities; through any electronic means approved by the department. Requires the department to allow certain inmates to have Internet access to web sites that contain employment information in the 90 day period before an inmate is discharged, released on parole, released on probation, or assigned to a community transition program, and requires the department to provide Internet training and employment counseling. Provides that GPS monitoring for certain sex offenders is mandatory after June 30, 2009, and authorizes the parole board to require GPS monitoring before July 1, 2009. Requires a sex or violent offender to report the offender's electronic mail address and certain Internet usernames. Makes it a Class A misdemeanor for a sex offender to use a social networking Internet web site or an instant messaging or chat room program that the offender knows is frequented by children. Makes committing an offense against a person with a disability an aggravating circumstance for sentencing purposes if the defendant knew or should have known that the victim was a person with a disability.

Waterman

Jan 10, 2008- Authored by Senator Waterman

Jan 10, 2008- First reading: referred to Committee on Corrections, Criminal, and Civil Matters

Jan 24, 2008-Committee report: amend do pass, adopted

Jan 28, 2008-Senator Simpson added as second author-

Jan 28, 2008-Senator Rogers added as coauthor

Jan 28, 2008-Second reading: ordered engrossed

Jan 29, 2008-Third reading: passed; Roll Call 147: Yeas 47 and Nays 1

Jan 29, 2008-Referred to the House

Jan 29, 2008-House sponsor: Rep. V. Smith

Jan 29, 2008- Cosponsor: Rep. Borders

Feb 11, 2008- First reading: referred to Committee on Judiciary

Feb 21, 2008- Committee report: amend do pass, adopted

Feb 26, 2008- Second reading: amended, ordered engrossed

Feb 26, 2008- Amendment 1 (V. Smith), failed; Roll Call 233: Yeas 33, Nays 57

Feb 26, 2008- Amendment 3 (Turner), prevailed; Voice Vote

Feb 28, 2008- Third reading: passed; Roll Call 257: Yeas 51, Nays 48

Feb 28, 2008- Returned to the Senate with amendments

March 4, 2008-Senate dissented from House amendments

SB 258 CONT.

Provides that, as a condition of probation or parole, a sex offender: (1) must consent to the search of the sex offender's personal computer at any time; (2) must permit installation on the sex offender's personal computer or device with Internet capability of hardware or software to monitor the sex offender's Internet usage; (3) must be prohibited by a probation or parole officer from using or accessing certain web sites, chat rooms, or instant messaging programs frequented by children; and (4) may not delete, erase, or tamper with information on the sex offender's personal computer that relates to prohibited Internet usage. Requires a school corporation to include a mandatory instructional unit on safely using the Internet for grades 3 and above. Specifically provides that law enforcement officials may seize computers, cellular telephones, and other equipment used to commit or facilitate, or intended to be used to commit or facilitate, sex crimes. Makes it a Class B misdemeanor for certain persons at least 21 years of age to knowingly or intentionally communicate concerning sexual activity with a child less than 14 years of age with the intent to gratify the sexual desires of the person or the child. Enhances the offense to a Class A misdemeanor if it is committed by means of a computer network. Specifies that the sex or violent offender registration period is not restarted based on the offender's commission of a subsequent offense.

March 4, 2008- Senate conferees appointed: Waterman and Simpson

March 4, 2008- Senate advisors appointed: Bray, Steele, Rogers and Arnold

March 6, 2008- House conferees appointed: V. Smith and Borders

March 6, 2008- House advisors appointed: Grubb and Foley

March 14, 2008- Conference committee report 1 : filed in the House

March 14, 2008- Conference committee report 1 : Rule 83(a) suspended

March 14, 2008-Rules suspended

March 14, 2008-Conference committee report 1: adopted by the Senate Roll Call 366: Yeas 46, Nays 0

March 14, 2008-Conference committee report 1: adopted by the House; Roll Call 353: Yeas 93, Nays 0

March 19, 2008-Signed by the President Pro Tempore

March 19, 2008-Signed by the Speaker

March 19, 2008- Signed by the President of the Senate

March 24, 2008- Signed by the Governor

HB 1001

State and local finance. Eliminates: (1) medical assistance to wards fund levies; (2) family and children's fund levies; (3) children's psychiatric residential treatment services fund levies; and (4) children with special health care needs county fund levies. Eliminates the hospital care for the indigent fund levy and a portion of the health and hospital corporation levy. Eliminates the statewide property tax levies imposed for the state forestry fund, the state fair, and department of local government finance (DLGF) data base management. Provides for the assumption by the state of the costs of child welfare services and incarcerating delinquent children in a department of correction facility. Makes related changes to procedures governing the adjudication of children as children in need of services or as a delinquent child. Provides that payment for child services shall be made not later than 60 days after the date the department of child services receives the service provider's invoice together with a properly prepared claim voucher and documentation. Provides for the assumption by the state of the amount previously raised by the hospital care for the indigent fund levy and a portion of the health and hospital corporation levy. Eliminates school corporation tuition support levies. Increases the state tuition distribution by the amount of the terminated tuition support levy. Creates the state tuition reserve fund. Abolishes the tuition support account in the state general fund. Requires a transfer of money from the state general fund to the state tuition reserve fund. Provides an additional supplemental standard deduction for homesteads. Provides additional homestead credits in 2008 of \$620,000,000. Provides that in a county that adopted a local option income tax (LOIT) in 2007, the county auditor, with the approval of the county fiscal body may petition the DLGF to permit a portion of the additional 2008 homestead credit to be used instead to increase the additional state funded homestead credit provided for 2009 or in both 2009 and 2010. Provides \$140,000,000 in homestead credits in 2009 and \$80,000,000 in homestead credits in 2010. Provides that a school corporation may not impose a special education preschool property tax levy after December 31, 2008. Requires the department of education to make distributions equal to the product of \$2,750 multiplied by the number of special education preschool children who are students in the school corporation. Increases the maximum amount of the state income tax deduction for renters from \$2,500 to \$3,000. Provides that an individual who owns a homestead with a gross assessed value of less than \$160,000 and who has adjusted gross income of \$30,000 (in the case of a single return) or \$40,000 (in the case of a joint return) is entitled to a property tax credit to the extent that property taxes on the individual's homestead increase by more than 2% from the prior year. Repeals the expiration date for the state earned income tax credit. Provides that the maximum amount of the standard deduction is the lesser of \$45,000 or 60% of assessed value for 2009 and thereafter. Requires the DLGF to adopt rules or guidelines concerning the application for the standard deduction. Increases the sales and use tax rates from 6% to 7%. Adjusts distributions of sales tax and use tax so that new revenue from the rate increase is deposited in the state general fund. Reduces sales tax collection allowances for retail merchants. Beginning in 2009, abolishes property tax replacement credits, state homestead credits (except for the temporary homestead credits in 2009 and 2010), the property tax replacement fund, and the property tax reduction trust fund. Provides that revenues from sales tax, income tax, and certain wagering taxes formerly deposited in those funds are to be deposited in the state general fund.

Crawford Espich

Nov 20, 2007- Coauthored by Representative(s) Espich

Nov 20, 2007- Rules suspended

Nov 20, 2007- Roll Call 3: Yeas 94, Nays 5

Nov 20, 2007-

First reading: referred to Committee on Ways and Means

Jan 10, 2008- Representatives Welch and Turner added as coauthors

Jan 10, 2008- Committee report: do pass, adopted

Jan 22, 2008-Admendments (Final amendment 36 GiaQuinta; failed; Roll Call 27:YEAS 48, NAYS 48) 22 Amendments total on this day. PLEASE SEE WEBSITE OR BILL FOR EXACT DETAILS.

Jan 22, 2008- Amendment 97 (Klinker), prevailed; Voice Vote

Jan 24, 2008- Third reading: passed; Roll Call 30: Yeas 93, Nays 1

Jan 24, 2008- Referred to the Senate

Jan 24, 2008- First Senate Sponsor: Senator Kenley

Jan 28, 2008- Second Senate Sponsor: Senator Skinner

Jan 29, 2008- First reading: referred to Committee on Tax and Fiscal Policy

Jan 29, 2008- Senator Hume added as cosponsor

Feb 19, 2008- Committee report: amend do pass, adopted

Feb 19, 2008- Senator Hershman added as cosponsor

Feb 25, 2008- Second reading: amended, ordered engrossed

Provides that a county council may adopt an ordinance to allow a taxpayer to make installment payments of taxes due under a reconciling statement. Provides that for property taxes first due and payable in 2009, the circuit breaker credit is equal to the amount by which a person's property tax liability attributable to the person's: (1) homestead exceeds 1.5%; (2) residential property exceeds 2.5%; (3) agricultural land exceeds 2.5%; (4) long term care property exceeds 2.5%; (5) nonresidential real property exceeds 3.5%; or (6) personal property exceeds 3.5%; of the gross assessed value of the property that is the basis for determination of the property taxes. Provides that for property taxes first due and payable in 2010 and thereafter, the circuit breaker credit is equal to the amount by which a person's property tax liability attributable to the person's: (1) homestead exceeds 1%; (2) residential property exceeds 2%; (3) agricultural land exceeds 2%; (4) long term care property exceeds 2%; (5) nonresidential real property exceeds 3%; or (6) personal property exceeds 3%; of the gross assessed value of the property that is the basis for determination of the property taxes. Specifies that property taxes imposed after being approved by the voters in a referendum or local public question shall not be considered for purposes of calculating the circuit breaker credit. Provides that for certain eligible counties, property taxes imposed to pay debt service or make lease payments for bonds or leases issued or entered into before July 1, 2008, shall not be considered for purposes of calculating the circuit breaker credit. Changes the membership of the distressed unit appeal board. Makes changes to the relief available from the distressed unit appeal board. Provides that the distressed unit appeal board may provide that some or all of the property taxes that are being imposed to pay debt and that would otherwise be included in the calculation of the circuit breaker credit shall not be included for purposes of calculating the credit. Authorizes a distressed political subdivision to petition the tax court for judicial review of a final determination of the distressed unit appeal board. Provides that political subdivisions are required to fully fund the payment of their debt obligations, regardless of any reduction in property tax collections due to the circuit breaker credit. Provides for a grant in 2009 and 2010 to replace a portion of the revenue lost to a school corporation from the application of the circuit breaker credit. Specifies that a school corporation is entitled to such a grant in a particular year only if it expects to lose more than 2% of its property tax revenue because of application of the circuit-breaker credits. Provides that a school bus replacement plan must apply to at least 12 years (rather than 10 years). Requires the state board of education to adopt administrative rules setting forth guidelines for the selection of school sites and the construction, alteration, and repair of school buildings, athletic facilities, and other categories of facilities related to the operation and administration of school corporations. Requires a school corporation to consider the guidelines and to submit proposed plans and specifications to the department of education. Requires the department of education to provide written recommendations to the school corporation, including findings as to any material differences between the plans and specifications and the guidelines. Requires the school corporation to have a public hearing on the plans and specifications. Requires the department of education to establish a central clearinghouse containing prototype designs for school facilities. Permits a school corporation to appeal to the department of local government finance to impose a shortfall levy to replace a shortfall in a tuition support levy imposed before 2009.

Crawford Espich

Feb 25, 2008- Amendment 9 (Kenley), prevailed; Voice Vote

Feb 25, 2008- Amendment 8 (Kenley), prevailed; Voice Vote

Feb 25, 2008- Amendment 17 (Lubbers), failed; Roll Call 239: Yeas 23, Nays 23

Feb 25, 2008- Amendment 16 (Simpson), failed; Roll Call 240: Yeas 16, Nays 30

Feb 25, 2008- Amendment 3 (Hume), failed; Roll Call 241: Yeas 15, Nays 28

Feb 25, 2008- Amendment 20 (Miller), prevailed; Voice Vote

Feb 25, 2008- Amendment 21 (Miller), prevailed; Voice Vote

Feb 25, 2008- Amendment 2 (Tallian), prevailed; Voice Vote

Feb 25, 2008- Amendment 19 (Landske), prevailed; Roll Call 242: Yeas 24, Nays 20

Feb 25, 2008- Amendment 5 (Becker), failed; Voice Vote

Feb 25, 2008- Amendment 1 (Zakas), prevailed; Voice Vote

Feb 25, 2008- Amendment 4 (Mrvan), failed; Roll Call 243: Yeas 15, Nays 28

Feb 25, 2008- Amendment 15 (Broden), failed; Roll Call 244: Yeas 16, Nays 27

Feb 25, 2008- Senator Dillon added as cosponsor

Feb 26, 2008- Third reading: passed; Roll Call 251: Yeas 33 and Nays 14

Feb 26, 2008- Returned to the House with amendments

Provides that beginning in 2010, the budget year for all school corporations shall be from July 1 of the year through June 30 of the following year. Effective July 1, 2008, transfers to the county assessor property assessment duties of township assessors in all townships in which the number of real property parcels is less than 15,000 and in townships in which there is a trustee-assessor. Requires a referendum to be held at the general election in 2008 in each township in which the number of parcels of real property on January 1, 2008, is at least 15,000. Provides that the referendum shall determine whether to transfer to the county assessor the assessment duties that would otherwise be performed by the elected township assessor of the township. Provides that a person who runs in an election after January 1, 2012, for the office of township assessor must have attained the certification of a level three assessor-appraiser before taking office. Establishes a procedure for removal from office of county assessors and township assessors who fail to adequately perform the duties of office. Amends the procedure to obtain a review by the county property tax assessment board of appeals. Provides that each appraiser that performs assessments on behalf of a county property assessment contractor must have a level two assessor-appraiser certification, and requires the DLGF to consider before approving the contract the contractor's experience, training, and number of employees. Provides that the DLGF must be a party to appraisal and reassessment contracts. Specifies that after June 30, 2009, an employee of a county assessor who performs real property assessing duties must have attained the level of certification that the assessor is required to attain. Repeals the county land valuation commission and obsolete provisions. Provides that in 2009 and each year thereafter, the state pension relief fund shall pay to each unit of local government the total amount of pension, disability, and survivor benefit payments from the old police and firefighter funds by the unit. Provides that for property taxes first due and payable after December 31, 2008, the DLGF shall reduce the maximum permissible property tax levy of any civil taxing unit and special service district by the amount of the payment to be made in 2009 by the state for benefits to members (and survivors and beneficiaries of members) of the 1925 police pension fund, the 1937 firefighters' fund, or the 1953 police pension fund. Makes an appropriation to the pension relief fund. Provides that certain interest earned by the public deposit insurance fund continues to be used to pay local police and firefighter pensions through 2022. (Under current law, the interest would be used for this purpose through 2012.) Provides that for purposes of computing and distributing excise taxes or local option income taxes, the computation and distribution of the excise tax or local option income tax shall be based on the taxing unit's property tax levy as calculated before any reduction due to circuit breaker credits. Provides that the local government tax control board is not abolished. Provides that a capital project is a controlled project if it will cost the political subdivision more than the lesser of \$2,000,000 or an amount equal to 1% of the total gross assessed value of property within the political subdivision on the last assessment date (if that amount is at least \$1,000,000). Provides that a project that is in response to a natural disaster, emergency, or accident that makes a building or facility unavailable for its intended use and that is approved by the county council is not a controlled project for purposes of the referendum process.

Feb 26, 2008- House dissented from Senate amendments

Feb 26, 2008- House dissented from Senate amendments

Feb 26, 2008- House conferees appointed: Crawford and Espich

Feb 26, 2008- House advisors appointed: Goodin, Welch, Turner, Borror and Buell

Feb 27, 2008- Senate conferees appointed: Kenley and Skinner

Feb 27, 2008- Senate advisors appointed: R. Meeks, Hershman, Dillon, Mrvan, Simpson and Hume

Feb 28, 2008-Representatives Cochran and Klinker appointed as House advisors

March 4, 2008-Representative Thompson appointed as House advisor

March 13, 2008- Conference committee report 1: filed in the House

March 14, 2008- Rules suspended

March 14, 2008- Conference committee report 1: adopted by the House; Roll Call 331: Yeas 82, Nays 17

March 14, 2008- Conference committee report 1: adopted by the Senate Roll Call 364: Yeas 41, Nays 6

March 19, 2008-Signed by the Speaker

March 19, 2008-Signed by the President Pro Tempore

March 19, 2008-Signed by the President of the Senate

March 19, 2008-Signed by the Governor

Provides that a controlled project for a school building for kindergarten through grade 8 is subject to a referendum if the cost is more than \$10,000,000. Provides that a controlled project for a school building for grade 9 through grade 12 is subject to a referendum if the cost is more than \$20,000,000. Provides that other controlled project with a cost that exceeds the lesser of \$12,000,000 or 1% of assessed value (but at least \$1,000,000) are also subject to a referendum. Specifies that it takes 100 persons who are either owners of real property within the political subdivision or registered voters residing within the political subdivision or 5% of the registered voters residing within the political subdivision to initiate such a referendum. Provides that controlled projects that are not subject to a referendum are subject to the petition and remonstrance process. Repeals provisions concerning: (1) the procedures for amending a resolution previously adopted by a redevelopment commission; and (2) locally funded property tax replacement credits in tax increment financing (TIF) allocation areas. Provides that certain property tax levy appeals are eliminated beginning in 2009. Provides that the levy appeal for increased costs to a civil taxing unit resulting from annexation, consolidation, or other extensions of governmental services is not eliminated. Allows such an appeal in the first year increased costs are incurred and the immediately succeeding four years, and makes the excessive levy for a year a permanent part of the unit's maximum permissible levy for succeeding years. Eliminates certain exceptions to the property tax levy limits. Provides that the exemptions from the property tax levy limits for certain taxes to fund a community mental health center or community mental retardation and other developmental disabilities center do not apply to a civil taxing unit that did not fund a community mental health center or community mental retardation and other developmental disabilities center in 2008. Specifies the method for determining the assessed value of certain agricultural land that has been strip mined. Makes other changes related to property tax assessment. Repeals the county boards of tax and capital projects review. Provides that review and approval by the DLGF are not required before a civil taxing unit may issue or enter into bonds, a lease, or any other obligation if the civil taxing unit's determination to issue or enter into the bonds, lease, or other obligation is made after June 30, 2008. Provides that after June 30, 2008, review and approval by the DLGF are not required before a civil taxing unit may construct, alter, or repair a capital project. Provides that in counties without a county board of tax adjustment, each civil taxing unit that imposes property taxes shall file with the fiscal body of the county in which the civil taxing is located: (1) a statement of the proposed or estimated tax rate and tax levy for the civil taxing unit for the ensuing budget year; and (2) a copy of the civil taxing unit's proposed budget for the ensuing budget year. Provides that a county fiscal body shall issue a nonbinding recommendation to a civil taxing unit regarding the civil taxing unit's tax rate or levy or proposed budget. Provides that in the case of a taxing unit's governing body that does not consist of a majority of officials who are elected, the governing body may not issue bonds or enter into a lease payable in whole or in part from property taxes unless it obtains the approval of the city or town fiscal body or the county fiscal body (as applicable). Provides that review by the DLGF and approval by the DLGF are not required before a school corporation may issue or enter into bonds, a lease, or any other obligation if the school corporation's determination to issue or enter into the bonds, lease, or other obligation is made after June 30, 2008.

Provides that after June 30, 2008, review by the DLGF and approval by the DLGF are not required before a school corporation may construct, alter, or repair a capital project. Prohibits, with respect to bonds payable from property taxes, special benefit taxes, or tax increment revenues, a local issuing body from: (1) issuing refunding bonds that have a repayment date that is beyond the maximum term of the bonds being refunded; or (2) using savings resulting from refunding bonds or surplus proceeds for any purpose other than to maintain a debt service reserve fund, repay bonds, or reduce levies. Requires the local issuing body to pay interest and principal on bonds on a schedule that provides for substantially equal installment amounts and regular payment intervals, with certain exceptions. Provides that (with certain exceptions) the maximum terms for property tax based obligations are: (1) the maximum applicable period under federal law for obligations issued to evidence loans under a federal program; (2) 25 years for TIF obligations; and (3) 20 years for other property tax based obligations. Specifies that the need for level principal payments over the term of the obligations, in order to reduce total interest costs, is an exception to the requirement that an agreement for the issuance of obligations must provide for the payment of principal and interest on the obligations in nearly equal payment amounts and at regular designated intervals over the maximum term of the obligations. Provides that certain decisions with respect to TIF allocation areas are to be made by the legislative or fiscal body of the city, town, or county instead of the redevelopment commission or are subject to the approval of the legislative or fiscal body. Provides that if TIF revenues of an allocation area have been decreased by a law enacted by the general assembly or by an action of the DLGF below the amount needed to make all payments on obligations payable from tax increment revenues, the governing body of the TIF district may: (1) impose a special assessment on the owners of property in an allocation area; (2) impose a tax on all taxable property in the TIF district; or (3) reduce the base assessed value of property in the allocation area to an amount that is sufficient to increase the tax increment revenues. Requires review of these actions by the legislative body of the unit that established the TIF district. Makes other changes related to TIF. Provides three additional options for the distribution of local option income tax for property tax replacement in Lake County. Provides that an individual may claim a deduction for state income tax purposes for property taxes that: (1) were imposed on the individual's principal place of residence for the March 1, 2006, assessment date or the January 15, 2007, assessment date; (2) are due after December 31, 2007; and (3) are paid in 2008 on or before the due date for the property taxes. Converts the 100% property tax deduction for inventory to an exemption by excluding inventory from the definition of personal property subject to property tax. Repeals property tax credits and exemptions applicable to inventory. Provides that counties receive CAGIT, COIT, and CEDIT distributions that would otherwise be lost as a result of the termination of certain levies. Provides that a check issued by a county for a refund of the additional 2007 homestead credit is void if the check is: (1) outstanding and unpaid for 180 days after it is issued; and (2) for an amount that is not more than \$10. Allows the county council or county income tax council to adopt before October 1 of a year an ordinance changing the purposes for which revenue attributable to the LOIT for property tax relief shall be used in the following year.

Provides that a county auditor may not grant an individual or a married couple a standard deduction if the individual or married couple, for the same year, claims the deduction on two or more different applications for the deduction and the applications claim the deduction for different property. Provides that a co-op is considered a homestead for purposes of the standard deduction and homestead credit. Provides that a civil taxing unit's levy appeal in a case where the civil taxing unit cannot carry out its governmental functions may be granted only if the civil taxing unit's inability to carry out its governmental functions is due to a natural disaster, an accident, or another unanticipated emergency. Provides that the local property tax replacement credit percentage for a particular year that is funded by a LOIT shall be based on the amount of tax revenue that will be used under the LOIT to provide local property tax replacement credits. Provides that a taxpayer that owns an industrial plant located in Jasper County is ineligible for a local property tax replacement credit against the property taxes due on the industrial plant if the assessed value of the industrial plant as of March 1, 2006, exceeds 20% of the total assessed value of all taxable property in the county on that date. Allows a school corporation to appeal to the DLGF for a new facility adjustment to increase the school corporation's tuition support distribution for the following year to pay increased costs to open: (1) a new school facility; or (2) an existing facility that has not been used for at least three years. Deletes the expiration date in the provision authorizing a school corporation to use money in its capital projects fund for utility services and insurance. Appropriates to the department of education from the state general fund \$10,000,000 for the state fiscal year beginning July 1, 2008, and ending June 30, 2009, to make new facility adjustment distributions that are approved by the department of local government finance. Provides that a school corporation does not need the approval of the school property tax control board or the DLGF before holding a referendum concerning a referendum tax levy. Provides that a school corporation may hold a referendum on whether a referendum tax levy should be imposed to replace property tax revenue that the school corporation will not receive because of the application of the circuit breaker credit. Provides that in counties other than Marion County, if the percentage increase in the proposed budget for a civil taxing unit with an unelected governing body for the ensuing calendar year is greater than the growth allowed under the assessed value growth quotient, the governing body of the civil taxing unit must submit its proposed budget and property tax levy for approval by the county fiscal body or municipal fiscal body. Provides that budgets, levies, and bond issues for taxing units in Marion County with an unelected board must be approved by the city-county council. Provides that if a township assessor determines that the township assessor has made an error concerning: (1) the assessed valuation of property; (2) the name of a taxpayer; or (3) the description of property; in an assessment, the township assessor shall on the township assessor's own initiative correct the error. Provides that if such a correction results in a reduction in an assessment, the taxpayer is entitled to a credit on the taxpayer's next tax installment. Requires a township board to consider certain factors when determining whether a fire and emergency services need exists requiring the expenditure of money not included in the township's budget estimates and levy.

Requires the DLGF to report to the commission on state tax and financing policy (CSTFP) regarding: (1) the possibility of eliminating the existing method of assessing and valuing property for the purpose of property taxation; and (2) the use of alternative methods of valuing property for the purpose of property taxation. Requires the CSTFP to study those issues and report to the legislative council. Requires the CSTFP to study the following issues and report to the legislative council: (1) Whether it is reasonable and appropriate to require all counties to use the state-designed software system. (2) Alternative methods for distribution of local option income taxes. (3) The possible elimination of property taxation of homestead property. Provides that a taxpayer that receives a tax statement or a provisional tax statement for the first installment of property taxes based on the assessment date in 2007 and first due and payable in 2008 may appeal the assessment by filing a notice in writing with the proper assessing official not later than the later of 45 days after the tax statement (or reconciling statement) is given to the taxpayer or July 1, 2008. Provides that the county auditor's annual statement to political subdivisions and the DLGF for counties with taxing units that cross into or intersect with other counties must include the assessed valuation as shown on the most current abstract of property. Adjusts the maximum property tax rates for county cumulative capital development funds and for municipal cumulative capital development funds to reflect the change from 33.33% to 100% of true tax value. Provides that a county council or county income tax council may in 2008 adopt or increase a LOIT for property tax relief or public safety at any time before January 1, 2009. Provides that a county council or county income tax council may not adopt an ordinance determining that LOIT revenue shall be used to provide local property tax replacement credits at a uniform rate to all taxpavers in the county unless the county council or county income tax council has: (a) made available the county council's best estimate of the amount of property tax replacement credits to be provided to various classes of property; and (b) adopted a resolution or other statement acknowledging that some taxpayers in the county that do not pay the LOIT will receive a property tax replacement credit that is funded with LOIT revenue. Requires a county council or county income tax council to hold at least one public meeting each year at which the county council or county income tax council discusses whether the LOIT for levy replacement should be imposed or increased. Provides that a copy of a completed case plan concerning a child in need of services or a child adjudicated as a delinquent shall be sent to an agency having the legal responsibility or authorization to care for, treat, or supervise the child. Indicates that the certain assessment system software and hardware standards apply to all assessment system software and hardware rules and standards adopted by the DLGF. Provides for the distribution to the legislative services agency of policy documents provided to local taxing officials. Requires written standards for the operation and management of a property tax data base system. Authorizes the DLGF to adopt temporary rules to revise its rules establishing standards for computer systems used by Indiana counties for the administration of the property tax assessment, billing, and settlement processes. Requires employers to report to the department of state revenue the amount of withholdings attributable to local income taxes each time the employer remits to the department the tax that is withheld.

Requires an individual filing an estimated tax return to designate the portion of the estimated tax payment that represents state income tax liability and the portion of the estimated tax payment that represents local income tax liability. Provides that if an individual requests the payor of a distribution to withhold taxes from the distribution, the individual must designate the portion of the withheld amount that represents state income tax liability and the portion of the withheld amount that represents local income tax liability. Requires the department of state revenue and the office of management and budget to develop certain reports related to local option income taxes. Requires the department of revenue to develop a system of crosschecks between annual withholding tax reports and individual taxpayer W-2 forms. Requires the office of management and budget to submit an informative summary of certain calculations related to the certified distribution of local income taxes to the county council and requires certain information to be included in the informative summary. Makes other changes. Makes appropriations.

HB 1051	School corporation donations to foundations. Permits a school corporation to annually donate not more than \$25,000 to a community foundation if the donation is matched by a private donor. (Current law permits school corporations to make matched donations only to public school endowment corporations.)	Crooks	Jan 8, 2008- First reading: referred to Committee on Education Jan 24, 2008- Committee report: do pass, adopted Jan 28, 2008- Second reading: ordered engrossed Jan 29, 2008- Third reading: passed; Roll Call 71: Yeas 94, Nays 0 Jan 29, 2008- Referred to the Senate Jan 29, 2008- First Senate Sponsor: Senator Lubbers Jan 29, 2008- Second Senate Sponsor: Senator Hume Jan 29, 2008- First reading: referred to Committee on Education and Career Development Feb 7, 2008- Committee report: do pass, adopted Feb 11, 2008- Second reading: ordered engrossed Feb 12, 2008- Third reading: passed; Roll Call 188: Yeas 46 and Nays 1 Feb 12, 2008- Returned to the House without amendments Feb 14, 2008- Signed by the President Pro Tempore Feb 19, 2008- Signed by the Speaker Feb 19, 2008- Signed by the President of the Senate Feb 22, 2008- Signed by the Governor
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Legislative body youth advisers. Allows the presiding officer of Jan 10, 2008-Authored by Representative Bell HB 1162 Bell the legislative body of a municipality to appoint an individual not Jan 10, 2008- First reading: referred to Committee on more than 18 years of age to serve as an adviser to the municipal Local Government legislative body on matters affecting youth in the community. Establishes a youth advisory council to advise the general Jan 24, 2008- Representatives V. Smith, Stutzman assembly concerning issues of importance to youth. and VanDenburgh added as coauthors Jan 24, 2008- Committee report: do pass, adopted Creates a 22 member body of students to advise the General Assembly on the following issues: Jan 29, 2008- Second reading: amended, ordered engrossed Education, Jan 29, 2008- Amendment 1 (Bell), prevailed; Voice Safe Environments for Youth Vote Foster Care Emotional/Physical Health Jan 29, 2008- Amendment 2 (Stutzman), prevailed; Homelessness Voice Vote Substance Abuse Jan 30, 2008- Third reading: passed; Roll Call 124: **Employment** Yeas 96, Nays 0 Youth Involvement in Government **Poverty** Jan 30, 2008- Referred to the Senate Youth Access to Services Jan 30, 2008- First Senate Sponsor: Senator Lawson Council membership shall include: Jan 30, 2008- Second Senate Sponsor: Senator Simpson 2 members appointed by Governor Feb 4, 2008- First reading: referred to Committee on 5 members appointed by Speaker of the House Local Government and Elections 5 members appointed by President Pro Temp of Senate 5 members appointed by House Minority Leader Feb 14, 2008-Committee report: do pass, adopted 5 members appointed by Senate Minority Leader Feb 18, 2008- Second reading: ordered engrossed Must be 14 to 18 years of age at time of appointment Each member shall serve a 2 year term and may be Feb 19, 2008- Placed back on second reading reappointed Feb 21, 2008- Reread second time: amended and ordered engrossed Feb 21, 2008- Amendment 1 (Lawson), prevailed; Voice Vote Feb 26, 2008- Third reading: passed; Roll Call 248: Yeas 47 and Nays 0

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Duties of the Council:

- (1) To advise the general assembly concerning proposed and pending legislation, including budget expenditures and policy matters related to youth
- (2) To advise the standing committees and study committees of the general assembly concerning issues related to youth
- (3) To conduct periodic seminars for members of the council concerning leadership, government, and the general assembly
- (4) To report to the general assembly, not later than December 1 of each year, concerning the council's activities, including any proposed legislation to implement recommendations of the council. The report must be in an electronic format

More information regarding HB 1162:

- Council shall meet no less than 3 times each year and no more than 6 times per year
- Council must hold no more than 2 public hearings per year
- Council shall be funded and staffed by D.O.E.
- All Council members shall by paid a per diem plus travel expenses
- Effective July 1, 2008, Expires June 30, 2012

Feb 26, 2008- Returned to the House with amendments

March 4, 2008- House concurred in Senate amendments; Roll Call 300: Yeas 93, Nays 0

March 6, 2008- Signed by the Speaker

March 6, 2008- Signed by the President Pro Tempore

March 12, 2008- Signed by the President of the Senate

March 13, 2008- Signed by the Governor

HB 1165

Homelessness, foster youth, and education. Requires the Indiana housing and community development authority (authority) to: (1) oversee and encourage a regional homeless delivery system: (2) facilitate the dissemination of information to assist individuals and families in accessing local resources, programs, and services related to homelessness, housing, and community development; and (3) determine the number of homeless individuals, including homeless children, in Indiana, and the number of homeless in Indiana who are not residents of Indiana. Extends the authority's power to coordinate and establish linkages between governmental and social services programs to include individuals or families facing or experiencing homelessness. Requires the department of education (department) to establish an office of coordinator for education of homeless children. Requires each school corporation to: (1) appoint a liaison for homeless children (liaison); and (2) report to the department the contact information for the liaison. Requires the department to train new liaisons. Requires each school corporation that has an Internet web site to publish on the web site the contact information for the liaison. Requires certain school corporations to transport a student in foster care to and from the school in which the student was enrolled before receiving foster care. Requires, after June 30, 2009, each school corporation to provide tutoring for a child who is in foster care or who is homeless if the school corporation determines a child has a demonstrated need for tutoring. Requires the department of child services (DCS) to promote sibling visitation for every child who receives foster care. Allows a sibling or certain other individuals to request sibling visitation if one of the siblings is receiving foster care. Requires DCS to allow sibling visitation if it is in the best interests of the child receiving foster care. Provides that if DCS denies a request for sibling visitation, a child's guardian ad litem or court appointed special advocate may petition a juvenile court for sibling visitation. Requires a court to grant sibling visitation if the court determines sibling visitation is in the best interests of the child who receives foster care. Permits a court to appoint a guardian ad litem or court appointed special advocate if a child requesting sibling visitation is receiving foster care. Provides that a child may receive shelter and services or items directly related to providing shelter for homeless or low income individuals without the approval of a parent, guardian, or custodian. Requires an emergency shelter or shelter care facility to notify DCS not later than 24 hours after a child enters the shelter or facility unless the child is an emancipated minor. Requires DCS to: (1) conduct an investigation concerning the child not later than 48 hours after DCS receives notification; and (2) notify the child's parent, guardian, or custodian not later than 72 hours after the child enters the shelter or facility.

Avery Co-authors: Knollman Cheatham

Jan 14, 2008- First reading: referred to Committee on Family, Children and Human Affairs

Jan 15, 2008- Representative Crouch added as coauthor

Jan 24, 2008- Committee report: do pass, adopted

Jan 28, 2008- Second reading: amended, ordered engrossed

Jan 28, 2008- Amendment 4 (Avery), prevailed; Voice Vote

Jan 28, 2008- Amendment 5 (Avery), prevailed; Voice Vote

Jan 29, 2008- Third reading: passed; Roll Call 92: Yeas 92, Nays 0

Jan 29, 2008- Referred to the Senate

Jan 29, 2008- First Senate Sponsor: Senator Becker

Jan 29, 2008- Second Senate Sponsor: Senator Lawson

Jan 29, 2008- Cosponsors: Senators Sipes and Delph

Jan 29, 2008- First reading: referred to Committee on Commerce and Public Policy & Interstate Cooperation

Feb 07, 2008-Committee report: amend do pass, adopted

Feb 07, 2008-Senators Merritt, Simpson and Breaux added as cosponsors

Feb 12, 2008- Second reading: amended, ordered engrossed

Feb 12, 2008- Amendment 1 (Becker), prevailed; Voice Vote

Feb 12, 2008- Senators Broden and Deig added as cosponsors

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Prohibits DCS from notifying the child's parent, guardian, or custodian as to the specific shelter or facility the child has entered if DCS has reason to believe the child is a victim of child abuse or neglect. Allows a student who has resided in a school corporation for at least two consecutive years immediately before moving to an adjacent school corporation to attend school in the former school corporation without transfer tuition being charged if the principal and superintendent in both school corporations agree. Prohibits a student to enroll primarily for athletic reasons in a school in a school corporation where the student does not have legal settlement. (The introduced version of this bill was prepared by the interim study committee on missing children.)

Feb 14, 2008- Third reading: passed; Roll Call 197: Yeas 45 and Nays 2

Feb 14, 2008- Returned to the House with amendments

March 4, 2008- House dissented from Senate amendments

March 4, 2008- House conferees appointed: Avery and Knollman

March 4, 2008- House advisors appointed: Cheatham, L. Lawson, Behning and Bell

March 5, 2008- Senate conferees appointed: Becker and Sipes

March 5, 2008- Senate advisors appointed: Lawson and Breaux

March 10, 2008- Conference committee report 1 : filed in the House

March 11, 2008-Conference committee report 1: adopted by the Senate Roll Call 325: Yeas 44, Nays 3

March 13, 2008-Rules suspended

March 13, 2008 -Conference committee report 1 : adopted by the House; Roll Call 316: Yeas 91, Nays 0-

March 17, 2008-Signed by the Speaker

March 19, 2008-Signed by the President of the Senate

March 19, 2008-Signed by the President Pro Tempore

March 24, 2008-Signed by the Governor

<u>HB 1193</u>	Adult education. Creates an interim study committee on adult education.	Simms	Jan 10, 2008- First reading: referred to Committee on Education
			Jan 17, 2008- Representative VanDenburgh added as coauthor
			Jan 24, 2008-Committee report: amend do pass, adopted
			Jan 28, 2008- Second reading: ordered engrossed
			Jan 29, 2008- Third reading: passed; Roll Call 106: Yeas 96, Nays 0
			Jan 29, 2008- Referred to the Senate
			Jan 20, 2008- First Senate Sponsor: Senator Tallian
			Feb 02, 2008- First reading: referred to Committee on Education and Career Development
			Feb 4, 2008- First reading: referred to Committee on Education and Career Development
			Feb 14, 2008- Committee report: do pass, adopted
			Feb 14, 2008- Senator Charbonneau added as second sponsor
			Feb 18, 2008- Second reading: ordered engrossed
			Feb 19, 2008- Third reading: passed; Roll Call 219: Yeas 43 and Nays 3
			Feb 19, 2008- Returned to the House without amendments
			Feb 25, 2008- Signed by the President Pro Tempore
			Feb 25, 2008- Signed by the Speaker
			Feb 26, 2008-Signed by the President of the Senate
			March 3, 2008-Signed by the Governor

HB 1203	Registration of certain school buses. Modifies the registration cycle for school buses not owned by a school corporation. Requires that a school bus not owned by a school corporation must be registered before July 29 of each year. Provides that a school bus that is not owned by a school corporation and is registered after January 31 for the prior calendar year may be registered at 1/2 the regular rate. Provides that a license plate issued before March 1, 2008, for a school bus not owned by a school corporation may be displayed through July 28, 2009. Makes conforming amendments and technical corrections.	Pflum	Jan 10, 2008- First reading: referred to Committee on Roads and Transportation Jan 24, 2008-Committee report: amend do pass, adopted Jan 28, 2008- Second reading: ordered engrossed Jan 29, 2008- Third reading: passed; Roll Call 116: Yeas 95, Nays 0 Jan 29, 2008- Referred to the Senate Jan 29, 2008- First Senate Sponsor: Senator Paul Jan 29, 2008- Second Senate Sponsor: Senator Skinner Feb 04, 2008- First reading: referred to Committee on Homeland Security and Transportation & Veterans Affairs Feb 14, 2008- Committee report: do pass, adopted Feb 18, 2008- Second reading: ordered engrossed Feb 19, 2008- Third reading: passed; Roll Call 221: Yeas 46 and Nays 0 Feb 19, 2008- Returned to the House without amendments Feb 25, 2008- Signed by the President Pro Tempore Feb 26, 2008- Signed by the Speaker March 3, 2008-Signed by the Governor
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Teacher certification. Allows an individual who has failed the Praxis I teacher licensing examination at least two times to demonstrate proficiency by submitting to the department of education: (1) proof of successful completion of all other requirements of a teacher education program; (2) proof of having attained certain grade point averages; (3) proof of having demonstrated a successful student teaching experience; and (4) letters of recommendation from certain faculty members.	Smith V.	Jan 14, 2008-First reading: referred to Committee on Education Jan 24, 2008- Committee report: amend do pass, adopted Jan 28, 2008- Second reading: amended, ordered engrossed Jan 28, 2008- Amendment 3 (T. Harris), failed; Roll Call 64: Yeas 45, Nays 50 Jan 28, 2008- Amendment 4 (T. Harris), failed; Roll Call 65: Yeas 41, Nays 52 Jan 28, 2008- Amendment 1 (Thompson), prevailed; Voice Vote Jan 29, 2008- Third reading: passed; Roll Call 109; Yeas 67, Nays 29 Jan 29, 2008- Referred to the Senate Jan 29, 2008- First Senate Sponsor: Senator Sipes Jan 29, 2008- Second Senate Sponsor: Senator Rogers Feb 04, 2008- First reading: referred to Committee on Education and Career Development Feb 21, 2008- Committee report: do pass, adopted Feb 25, 2008- Senator Lubbers added as cosponsor Feb 26, 2008- Second reading: ordered engrossed Feb 27, 2008- Third reading: passed; Roll Call 271: Yeas 27 and Nays 20 Feb 27, 2008- Returned to the House without amendments March 4, 2008- Signed by the President Pro Tempore March 5, 2008- Signed by the President of the Senate March 12, 2008- Vetoed by the Governor
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HB 1234	School attendance records and enforcement. Allows certain law enforcement officers to inspect student attendance records and enforce the attendance laws. Requires an affidavit against a parent to enforce the compulsory school attendance law to be filed in a court with jurisdiction in the county in which the student resides.	Blanton Austin	Jan 14, 2008- First reading: referred to Committee on Education Jan 24, 2008-Committee report: do pass, adopted Jan 29, 2008- Amendment 6 (Austin), prevailed; Voice Vote Jan 29, 2008- Amendment 4 (Hinkle), ruled out of order Jan 30, 2008- Third reading: passed; Roll Call 125: Yeas 95, Nays 0 Jan 30, 2008- Referred to the Senate Jan 30, 2008- First Senate Sponsor: Senator Charbonneau Jan 30, 2008- Second Senate Sponsor: Senator Sipes Feb 04, 2008- First reading: referred to Committee on Education and Career Development Feb 14, 2008- Committee report: do pass, adopted Feb 18, 2008- Second reading: ordered engrossed Feb 19, 2008- Third reading: passed; Roll Call 224: Yeas 45 and Nays 0 Feb 19, 2008- Returned to the House without amendments Feb 25, 2008- Signed by the President Pro Tempore Feb 26, 2008- Signed by the Speaker March 3, 2008-Signed by the Governor
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HB 1244	Local government finance. Allows for the transfer of congressional township school funds held by various counties to the treasurer of state. Provides that the certification fee charged for parcels of real property on which municipal sewage fees are delinquent is due when the next installment of real property taxes is billed. (Current law provides that the certification fee is due when the next May installment of real property taxes is billed.)	GiaQuinta Candelaria Reardon	Jan 14, 2008-First reading: referred to Committee on Government and Regulatory Reform Jan 24, 2008- Committee report: do pass, adopted Jan 28, 2008- Second reading: ordered engrossed Jan 29, 2008- Third reading: passed; Roll Call 114: Yeas 95, Nays 0 Jan 29, 2008- Referred to the Senate Jan 29, 2008- First Senate Sponsor: Senator Lawson Feb 04, 2008- First reading: referred to Committee on Tax and Fiscal Policy Feb 12, 2008- Committee report: do pass, adopted Feb 18, 2008- Second reading: ordered engrossed Feb 19, 2008- Third reading: passed; Roll Call 226: Yeas 44 and Nays 2 Feb 19, 2008- Returned to the House without amendments Feb 25, 2008- Signed by the President Pro Tempore Feb 25, 2008- Signed by the Speaker March 5, 2008-Signed by the Governor
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HB 1246	Dual credit programs, student graduation plan, and virtual learning. Establishes the concurrent enrollment partnership to coordinate dual credit programs among Indiana high schools and state educational institutions. Changes the name of the student career plan to the student graduation plan. Provides methods of certifying the income of a student who is eligible for the waiver of tuition and fees at a state educational institution in the double up for college dual credit program. Creates an interim study committee on K-12 virtual learning.	Austin	Jan 17, 2008- First reading: referred to Committee on Education Jan 23, 2008-Passed 10-0 Jan 24, 2008- Committee report: amend do pass, adopted Jan 29, 2008- Representative Behning added as coauthor Jan 29, 2008- Second reading: amended, ordered engrossed Jan 29, 2008- Amendment 1 (Behning), prevailed; Voice Vote Jan 30, 2008- Third reading: passed; Roll Call 163: Yeas 81, Nays 11 Jan 30, 2008- Referred to the Senate Jan 30, 2008- First Senate Sponsor: Senator Lubbers Jan 30, 2008- First Senate Sponsor: Senator Sipes Feb 5, 2008- First reading: referred to Committee on Education and Career Development Feb 25, 2008- Committee report: amend do pass, adopted Feb 26, 2008- Second reading: ordered engrossed Feb 27, 2008- Third reading: passed; Roll Call 275: Yeas 43 and Nays 4 Feb 27, 2008- Returned to the House with amendments March 4, 2008- House dissented from Senate amendments
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			March 4, 2008- House advisors appointed: Porter, Simms and Dermody

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		March 4, 2008- Senate advisors appointed: Rogers and Alting
		March 13, 2008- Conference committee report 1 : filed in the House
		March 14, 2008- Conference committee report 1: adopted by the Senate Roll Call 361: Yeas 45, Nays 2
		March 14, 2008- Rules suspended
		March 14, 2008- Conference committee report 1: adopted by the House; Roll Call 346: Yeas 99, Nays 0
		March 17, 2008-Signed by the Speaker
		March 19, 2008-Signed by the President of the Senate
		March 19, 2008-Signed by the President Pro Tempore
		March 24, 2008-Signed by the Governor

Inmate credit time. Prohibits an offender from earning credit time for a high school diploma if the offender has previously obtained a general educational development (GED) diploma. Prohibits an offender from earning credit time for a GED diploma. Creates department of correction credit Class IV felons convicted of certain serious child molesting offenses and certain murders involving sex offenses. Specifies that persons in credit Class IV earn one day of credit for each six days of incarceration. Provides that persons in credit Class IV may be placed in a credit class where they earn no credit, but may not be placed in a credit class where they earn more credit.	Stemler	Jan 15, 2008- First reading: referred to Committee on Judiciary Jan 22, 2008-Committee report: do pass, adopted Jan 28, 2008- Representative Goodin added as coauthor Jan 28, 2008- Second reading: amended, ordered engrossed Jan 28, 2008- Amendment 1 (Stutzman), prevailed; Roll Call 67: Yeas 62, Nays 32 Jan 29, 2008- Third reading: passed; Roll Call 120: Yeas 84, Nays 10 Jan 29, 2008- Referred to the Senate Jan 29, 2008- First Senate Sponsor: Senator Sipes Feb 04, 2008- First reading: referred to Committee on Corrections, Criminal, and Civil Matters Feb 12, 2008- Senator Steele added as second sponsor Feb 21, 2008- Committee report: amend do pass, adopted Feb 26, 2008- Second reading: amended, ordered engrossed Feb 27, 2008- Amendment 1 (Drozda), prevailed; Division of the Senate: Yeas 30, Nays 12 Feb 27, 2008- Third reading: passed; Roll Call 277: Yeas 47 and Nays 0 Feb 27, 2008- Returned to the House with amendments March 6, 2008-Representatives Bosma and Lehe added as coauthors March 6, 2008-House concurred in Senate amendments; Roll Call 306: Yeas 94, Nays 1

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